MMR_0138 **Rev. Robert L. Miller**

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Robert L. Miller has earned the prestigious title of Master Model Railroader®. Robert L. Miller's work has left a lasting impact on the model railroading community, and his contributions continue to be appreciated by enthusiasts.

Under the name Robert L. Miller Laboratory, he produced locomotives, track, and other S-scale products in the early days of model railroading. The Robert L. Miller Laboratory was associated with model railroading and produced Alco S-4 locomotive kits. These kits featured free-rolling trucks, which required reverse current to slow down or stop the engine. The model included a substantial weight for excellent tractive effort. You could purchase the kit with no trucks, one powered truck, or both trucks powered.

The power trucks had only two operational modes: acceleration (forward or reverse) or coasting. Interestingly, the armature was wound around the axle, and the segmented wheel treads served as commutators—no gears involved! The locomotive's large lead weight provided ample inertia, negating the impact of power-off regenerative braking.